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Call for Nominations

This is your official call for nomination of officers to serve in the 1993-1994 term, as required by the bylaws.

Who must be nominated?

Candidates for the offices of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and all District Governors.

Which current officer holders may not be nominated to serve an additional term?

The President and First Vice President.

Which current officer holders may be nominated to serve an additional term?

The Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and all of the District Governors.

Who may make nominations?

Any individual member of TNA may nominate any individual who is a regular, associate or life member of TNA to the offices of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Any TNA Chapter may nominate any individual who is a regular, associate or life member of TNA, and who also resides the Chapter's district, to the office of District Governor for that district.

Are there any restrictions?

Yes. Some.

No one may serve as President unless he or she has previously served in an elective office of TNA.

Any nominee who would handle or have access to TNA funds must be bondable.

A nominee for an office of District Governor must be a resident of the district he or she would represent.

All nominees must be willing to serve, and must accept their nominations in writing.

How are nominations made?

They must be made in writing and must be accompanied by the nominee's acceptance, which is then sent to the Secretary.

When must the nominations be received?

Not later than January 1, 1993.

What must each nominee do?

Agree to serve the Association to the best of his or her ability.

Prepare a letter of acceptance to accompany the nomination.

Submit a short biographical sketch, suitable for publication in the TNA News, with the nomination.

That's all there is to it. Please don't let lethargy and lack of motivation keep you from your duty to nominate the best candidates available to serve you. It is your Association, and you are entitled to the very best officers you can find. If you have been well-served by any incumbents who are eligible to be reelected, by all means urge them to run again. If you have not been represented to your satisfaction, or if you think someone else can do better, then you need to actively pursue another nominee for the office. Remember that you have no one but yourself to blame if you don't participate in the nomination or election process.

That being said, let's get busy and find the best potential candidates TNA has to offer to guide and direct us for the next two years.

Raymond E. Whyborn, President



President's Message Ray Whyborn

This message will be shorter than usual, so that we can accomodate the call for nominations, which will be found elsewhere in this issue. Now is your chance to nominate the members you wish to have manage this Association for the next two years. Things have changed over the years, and the Association we knew in the 60's through the 80's has had to change to survive. We can no longer count on a membership of over a thousand, nor can we expect to receive the large revenues from our annual convention that sustained our expenses for so many years. As the economy has slowed, so have the discretionary incomes of many members, reducing their expenditures in pursuit of our hobby. Our new officers will face a great challenge in the 90's as they continue to operate our Association. Please keep this in mind as you think about potential candidates. This is a time for serious thought and consideration, and not for emotional patronization. Take the obligation and responsibility to nominate new officers very seriously. The very future of our Association, as we know it, depends on whom you nominate and ultimately elect.

I was in California recently, where I had the privilege to visit several of our members who reside there. I was also privileged to attend a board meeting of one of the Southern California clubs. It was discomforting to learn that the coin clubs in California suffer the same problems as we do. The economy is poor everywhere, but particularly so out there, where unemployment is nothing short of astronomical. Low coin show and club meeting

attendance is of much concern there as it is here One problem I did find unique to that area is the inability of clubs to find a free or inexpensive meeting place. The doors of virtually all churches, businesses, and even public facilities seem to be closed to the clubs now, due to insurance requirements, liabilty laws and the constant increase in the cost of security and utilities to the potential host. Fortunately, meeting places are not as much of a problem here. I hope we will be able to continue to have a choice of places to meet at little or no cost, thanks to the largesse of various banks, churches and utility companies, and even restaurants. It would serve us well for all of us to express our appreciation to these providers of our club and chapter facilities. They need to know that we appreciate their support and consideration.

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Induction into the TNA Numismatic Hall of Fame is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a member of TNA, in recognition of that member's continuing, dedicated service to the hobby in its many aspects and at the local, state and national levels.

Elsewhere in this issue, there is a summary of the award, which only serves to remind all members that they do have an opportunity to nominate those whom they feel are truly deserving of this most prestigious honor.

The committee which evaluates the nominations is appointed by the TNA President. Each committee member is a member of the TNA Numismatic Hall of Fame. The chairman is Norma Mather. This committee has done an outstanding service to the Association by carefully evaluating each nomination to assure that the standards of this high honor are not compromised. To assist this committee in its important and honorable task, each nomination needs to include a biographical sketch and a list of major achievements and contributions to TNA and to numismatics. This information is essential to the proper evaluation of the nominee, and to the preparation of the certificate that is presented at the time of induction into the Hall of Fame. All nominations must be received by the chairman no later than December 31, 1992. Norma's address is 1300 S. Border #214, Weslaco, TX 78596-7421.

Raymond E. Whyborn, President

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Frank E. Clark, III to be TNA Convention Education Chairman

The first paragraph of my message in the June issue of the TNA News seemed to give sole credit for the production the excellent educational program at our April convention in Forth Worth to our First Vice President, Mac Kennady. I inadvertently omitted Frank E. Clark, District V Governor and National Bank Note specialist, from these accolades. My apologies to Frank. Frank did much of the behind-the-scenes work that made it all possible Frank is one of TNA's hardest workers, and he will get done whatever needs to be done. He has worked tirelessly and without credit for a very long time doing all sorts of things for TNA, and has agreed to be the Educational Program Chairman of our annual conventions through 1995. If he asks you to participate, please do whatever you can to help. Thanks, Frank, for all that you do so willingly for the betterment of TNA!

Raymond E. Whyborn, President



From the 1st Vice President.. Mac Kennady

Dear fellow members - Here it is about the middle of October 1992 and we still have two and a half months left in 1992. Since the publication of the TNA News is now on a bimonthly schedule, we don't have many issues left to cover those things which need to be mentioned between now and the 1993 Convention. Not only do we have the 1993 Convention approaching, we also have the biennial elections, along with a resultant change in officers. I anticipate several new faces in the top five officers, as well as in the District Governors

All of the above moves me to give you some details regarding the 1993 TNA Convention. The convention will be held on May 7, 8, and 9, 1993 in the Tarrant County Convention Center, East Hall The headquarters hotel will be the completely remodeled Ramada Hotel, Ft. Worth Downtown, 1701 Commerce St., 76102. (This is the old Hilton, which many of you will remember.) The hotel has both a toll free number (1-800-228-2828) and a regular number (817-335-7000). The special rate for a double room is \$59.00 plus tax. To be assured of this rate, your reservation must be made by April 14, 1993. Please don't put this matter off. The Ramada offers complimentary covered parking and a spa and exercise room.

Two breakfasts will be held the first, at 8 AM on Saturday, May 8, will be for Club Representatives and District Governors; the second, at 8 AM on Sunday, May 9, will be the TNA Awards Breakfast. Price of the breakfast tickets is not yet known. All are invited to attend either or both

Everett Hull and Chris Keogh are anticipating at least 120 dealers from all parts of the U.S. Our '93 Convention should be a fine one. One special note: the Bureau of Engraving and Printing will issue a souvenir card for the convention. This is one of only ten numismatic and/or philatelic events in 1993 for which the BEP will issue a souvenir card. It is not too early to be making some firm plans for attendance. Hope to see you in Fort Worth.

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A Few Words From the Editor Bob Metzger

It has been over a month since my ANA trip, but the memories are still vivid. Although it was not one of the more commercially successful ANA's, I had a great time, making the most of the opportunities to attend educational events and to talk to some of the most knowledgable people in the hobby. I also had the good fortune to receive awards for both my exhibits: a second place in Western Americana for my Texas tokens, and a third place in numismatic literature for my display of a half dozen auction catalogs, which I used to trace the pedigree of a specific large cent, from the 1950's through 1992. As luck would have it, that coin, which I had never actually seen except in a photo, was at the bourse table of TNA member and friend, Chris Victor-McCawley; thus, I was finally able to examine it first hand. I also got to talk to three of the owners appearing in the pedigree (seven, if you take into account that one of them has owned it four different times). This sort of thing may not be exciting to everyone, but I was just thrilled with this turn of events, and learned a lot in the process. By the end of the show, I had added only a few books and even fewer coins and tokens to my collection, but had greatly expanded my knowledge in a number of areas.

Moving on to another subject...I have received three new articles since the last issue hit the streets. And, further examination of the material passed to me from the previous editor revealed three more articles, authored by Frank Clark, Bob Jones and Bob Bills. This is really wonderful; I'll

probably start running two per issue Keep those good articles coming, everyone.

And on to yet another subject...A number of clubs are doing a great job getting meeting reports or newsletters to me. But, there are other chapters from which I've not heard a peep. A lot of members tell me they really enjoy reading about the activities of the various clubs around the state, and often find inspiration for their club activities and programs in these reports. People really read this stuff! Let's hear from those clubs that have been quiet for so long, especially any from Districts II, III, XII and XIV If you prefer to use the standard report forms, contact me or your District Governor and we'll fix you up, but I'll use anything you send.

And the last subject...If you enjoy TNA and want to help it succeed, nominate and vote for the leaders you believe in and trust. Sorry if this sounds cliche. I nearly quit the Association when I thought it was going nowhere, but decided to try to fill a void rather than just complain about it and use it as an excuse. That's how I got to be the editor. That's how you can get to do your part, too. Find a void and fill it Now. See you in the December issue.



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Whose Portrait Is On What? Part II: United States by Charles C. Templeton

Many republics, especially present day Third World countries, have placed portraits of their incumbent rulers on their coins and paper money. When George Washington became president of the United States, there was pressure to put his portrait on regular coins, but he only appeared on private tokens Consequently, a personified image of liberty (either seated, standing or as a bust) appeared on American coins from the beginning. The placing of Abraham Lincoln on the cent in 1909 was the first depiction of an actual person on a regular issue U.S coin. Subsequently, Washington appeared on the guarter dollar in 1932, Thomas Jefferson on the nickel in 1938, and Franklin D. Roosevelt on the dime in 1946. On the half dollar, Benjamin Franklin appeared in 1948 and John Kennedy in 1964. On the one dollar coin, Dwight Eisenhower was shown starting in 1971, and Susan B. Anthony replaced Ike in 1979. Of course, none of these persons was still living when portrayed on the coins.

U.S. commemorative coins are a different story. Regarding the silver coinage, Queen Isabella was on the 1893 quarter dollar for the Columbian Exposition in Chicago, and Columbus himself was on the half dollar coin. In 1921, for the Alabama Statehood Centennial, T.E. Kilby, the incumbent governor, was potrayed on the half dollar coin, along with the first governor, W.W. Bibb; this was the first instance of a living person appearing on a U.S. coin Similarly, for the 1926 Sesquicentennial of U.S. Independence,

Calvin Coolidge, the incumbent president, appeared on a half dollar, along with George Washington, the first president; this was the first instance of a living U.S. president being depicted on a U.S. coin

Of the U.S. gold commemorative coins, only the one dollar coins portray actual persons. In 1903, for the Louisiana Purchase Centennial, two coins were issued, with Jefferson on the obverse of one and McKinley on the obverse of the other. In 1904 and 1905, for the Lewis and Clark Centennial, there was a "two-headed" one dollar gold coin, with Lewis on one side and Clark on the other. In 1916 and 1917, there was a McKinley Memorial one dollar gold coin, and in 1922, a Grant Memorial one; each pictured its subject on its obverse.

U.S. paper money has a tale of its own. The demand notes of 1861 were the first U.S. paper money; on the ten dollar note of August 10, 1861 is the portrait of Abraham Lincoln, the incumbent president. The Legal Tender one dollar note of 1862 has the portrait of Salmon P. Chase, the incumbent Secretary of the Treasury A most amusing story concerns the paper fractional notes, the first and second issues of which all portrayed George Washington For the third issue (March 3, 1863), the Treasury Department directed that the five cent note honor the explorer William Clark, of Lewis and Clark fame Instead, Spencer Clark, a treasury chief clerk, put his own portrait on the note. Congress wanted Spencer Clark discharged, but Secretary Chase saved his job.

In an Act of April 7, 1866, Congress legislated that "no portrait shall be placed on any of the bonds, securities, notes, fractional or postal currency of the United States while the original of such portrait is living." Several numismatic authors have said

that this ban also applies to U.S. coinage, but this is not true. The cases of Kilby and Coolidge in this century have already been cited as examples of living persons being portrayed on U.S. coins. For further information on this subject, the May 1992 issue of The Numismatist contains an excellent article by David L Ganz, entitled "Portraits on U.S. Coinage Living Up to the Law"



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A Message From Abroad by James F. Looby

I am stationed aboard the command and communications ship U.S.S La Salle, assigned to the Persian Gulf and permanently forward-deployed here. My duties as command chaplain afford numerous travelling opportunities

Thus far, we have visited the following locations: Abu Dhabi, Muscat, Oman; the U.A.E.; Dubai, Karachi, Pakistan; and Bahrain. Each port visit affords plenty of time for shopping. As a dedicated numismatist, I seek out the jewelry stands, backalley junk shops and any other place where coins might lurk. I have had some great times, perhaps the nicest of which has been finding Maria Theresa thalers. These fascinating, huge cartwheels are fun to haggle over with the local merchants, and are still legal tender throughout this part of the world.

Another fun experience has been collecting nice specimens of local, current coinage. These I am sealing in 2x2's, to use for show-and-tell when I return home. Hopefully, others will be drawn into numismatics when they see the varied coinage so readily available.

I'll keep on collecting coins here as long as I am able to strike good deals. However, one must be very careful of counterfeits, which abound, especially in the gold arena - U.Ş. gold in particular.

Numismatics has been good and fun for me It continues so, even though I am so far away from home. My coin publications, despite arriving late, keep me in touch with my fellow numismatists.

Thanks for your continued support of our troops in the Persian gulf May God bless each of you!

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Secretary's Notes Barbara Lowell

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Our Standing Rules provide for a number of awards to be presented at our annual convention. Few of these special achievement and recognition awards were given last year, simply because there were no entries received. Many deserving members failed to be recognized for their good work and deeds because of our failure to submit their names.

Please resolve to support the awards program this year by making the appropriate nominations. We need to ensure that those members deserving of awards and special recognition are properly acknowledged at our convention on May 7-9, 1993.

Those awards which require action by individual TNA members are as follows:

- 1. TNA LEWIS REAGAN MEMORIAL AWARD
 This award is for those TNA members who have rendered outstanding service to help promote numismatics in Texas. Nominations must be submitted to the President not later than December 31. A special committee reviews all nominations and selects the recpient.
- 2. TNA NUMISMATIC HALL OF FAME
 This award is for those TNA members who have made a significant and lasting contribution to promoting and sharing the hobby of numismatics. Nominations are submitted to a committee appointed annually by the President, to be received not later than December 31. The committee reviews all nominations and selects the recipient(s).

Those awards which require action by TNA chapters are as follows:

- 1 TNA JUNIOR NUMISMATIST OF THE YEAR
 This award is for the outstanding junior
 numismatist in TNA Nominations are made by
 the TNA chapters to the President not later than
 December 31. A special committee reviews all
 nominations and selects the recipient.
- 2. TNA CHAPTER SALUTE AWARD
 This award is to honor the three chapters in TNA
 which have engaged in the most outstanding and
 worthwhile activities during the preceding year.
 Reports of chapter activites are to be submitted to
 the Secretary not later than February 15.
- This award is to honor the TNA chapter, comprised of 20 or more members, that has the highest percentage of TNA members. The chapter roster, with each TNA member identified by membership number, must be submitted to the Secretary not later than February 15. The Secretary reviews all entries and determines the recipient
- 4 TNA OUTSTANDING CHAPTER PUBLICATION AWARD This award is to honor the TNA chapter that has produced the best publication or newsletter during the preceding year. The chapter submits a complete volume of its yearly publication to the TNA Chapter Publication Contest, in care of the TNA News editor, not later than December 31. The editor reviews all entries and selects the recipient

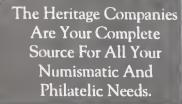
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- 5. TNA OUTSTANDING GOVERNOR AWARD

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There are a few months remaining to discuss these various awards at your chapter meetings. You can still select your nominees and submit the required documentation in plenty of time. Let's be sure we honor those that are truly deserving.







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The Fort Worth Coin Club's annual watermelon party was held at the home of Howard Luke. All 14 attendees enjoyed the fellowship and the goodies.

—Cleo Moss, club Secretary

DISTRICT IV

Possiblities for new meeting sites were discussed at the August 11 meeting of the Austin Texas Coin Club. The club has been notified that the Travis County courthouse, where the club has historically met, will be closed after business hours starting January 1, 1993. The discussion will be resumed after more data is collected regarding the sites. Afterwards, Larry Smulczenski presented a program on internment camp money. He showed examples of this type of money, including slides of notes produced by internees. Larry presented fascinating background information on Great Britain's mistreatment of Jewish and German refugees from Nazi Germany at the beginning of World War II. He told of their internment on the Isle of Man and subsequent expatriation to Camp Seven in Hay, Australia, aboard the transport ship HMS Dunera.

Discussion of possible new meeting places was resumed at the September 8 meeting, but a final decision was postponed until October. A signup

sheet for volunteers for the September 26-27 club show was passed around, and final plans for the show were discussed. Kim Cromack gave a program on the importance of agriculture in the history of the U.S., and showed how the nation's coinage payed homage to agriculture. He displayed coins and photos of coins, and pointed out cotton bolls on Morgan dollars, wheat ears on Lincoln cents, corn, wheat and tobacco on the gold dollar, cotton bales on the Trade dollar, and other important agricultural products on other issues. Kim observed that no other industry has been so heavily portrayed on U.S. coinage.

--Larry Smulczenski, club Vice President & Kim Cromack, reporter

The Capital City Coin Club, which also meets in the Travis County courthouse, discussed potential new meeting locations at its August 20 meeting. Several options are under study, and will be reported upon at the next meeting. The program was given by Bob Metzger, who recounted his experiences at this summer's ANA convention in Orlando, Florida. He described his duties and activities as an exhibit judge in the Tokens category. He also described his own exhibits, one on Texas tokens, which received second place in the Western Americana category and another on using auction catalogs in tracing a coin's pedigree, which was awarded third place in the Numismatic Literature category. He also related stories of meeting and talking to various noted numismatic celebrities. The meeting concluded with an auction.

Twenty-six members and two guests were present at the September 17 meeting, where they voted in favor of adopting the North Loop Library,

2210 Hancock Drive to be the new monthly meeting location, effective for the October 15 meeting. The club will continue to meet on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. Harry Barnette followed with a wonderful talk on Benjamin Franklin. Harry talked about Franklin's life, from the time he was a youngster, through his early years as a printer, and on to his years as an inventor, scientist and statesman. Harry pointed out that Franklin was the only man to sign the Declaration of Independence, Franch Alliance, Treaty of Paris and the Constitution. Harry then gave a brief history of the Franklin half dollar, and passed around some very nice examples of the coin. A short question and answer session followed. The meeting wrapped up with a spirited auction called by Moton Crockett.

--Larry Smulczenski, reporter & Bob Metzger, club Vice President

Fifteen people attended the August 6 meeting of the Williamson County Coin Club in Georgetown. Club members voted to adopt a constitution and elected the following slate of officers: President, Gabe Proctor; Vice-President, Jack Peters; Treasurer, George Wright; Secretary, Chuck Elkins; Curator, Erin Davis. A committee was formed to solicit support from the community and to promote numismatic education. Harry Barnette spoke about and showed some coins of Constantine the Great, as well as some obsolete U.S. coins. Gabe showed and talked about his first collectible coin, a Stone Mountain half dollar, a gift from his grandfather. Chuck talked about the history of the 1554 Silver Fleet, which wrecked on Padre Island, and passed around a coin salvaged from the wreckage. Moton

Crockett showed two recent bargain purchases of numismatic books. Rod Sherva showed a coin book from the 1930's, some porcelain gaming tokens, two unseparated 5 cash. Korean coins and and a Vietnamese imitation of a Japanese cash coin.

Eight members and one guest braved violent thunderstorms to attend the September 3 meeting. After a brief discussion, members voted to continue charter memberships through the end of 1992. The club made plans to set up and man an information table, to be provided gratis by the Austin Texas Coin Club, at the latter's September 26-27 Money Mart at the Terrace in Austin. After the business meeting, all were treated to a videotape of Michael Haynes 1990 ANA Numismatic Theater presentation entitled "How To Bid At Auction," which Gabe had borrowed from the ANA Resource Center.

--Chuck Elkins, Moton Crockett & Bob Metzger, reporters

DISTRICT V

Twenty-two members and one guest attended the August 20 meeting of the Dallas Coin Club. Club president Frank Clark suggested investigating the possibility of using the VFW hall in Carrollton as a coin show site. It was noted that Hal Cherry's letter concerning the non-receptive attitude of some dealers at the ANA Early Spring convention in Dallas appeared in the national numismatic press; it is hoped that some improvement may result. The evening's program was given by Frank, a quick show-and-tell of the brown back \$5.00 National Note issued by Charter #1000 between 1880 and 1900, which became known as the "Racketeer Note" when it was passed as a \$1000.00 note. The meeting concluded with a forty-two lot auction.

Nineteen members were present for the club's September 17 meeting lt was announced that the ANA "Money Talks" radio program will be available to any National Public Radio Station that will carry it, starting October 5 Scott Carlton reported that he enjoyed his trip to the ANA show in Orlando, Frank Clark was nominated for the position of TNA District V Governor. It was announced that Miley Busiek, the designer of the "Family of Eagles" reverse of the gold bullion coin, will speak at the club's November meeting and that the "White Elephant" auction will be held at the Christmas meeting in December. The program, by Ron Blaha, was a very interesting talk on genealogy, the study of family pedigrees. Ron pointed out that good sources of information are libraries, the National Archives, churches, local governments, cemeteries, family members and other genealogists. An auction of twenty-three items ended the meeting.

--Barbara deAnda, reporter &
Michael P. Grant, club Secretary/Treasurer

The August meeting of the Garland Coin Club was called to order with seventeen members and two guests in attendance. Both guests, Waylon Plum and Paul Dean, were voted in as new members at the meeting. President Tim Lee read a letter of thanks from the Garland Women's Activities Building Council for the club's recent cash donation. A showand-tell program followed the business meeting: Tim displayed a souvenir card; Harry Chand, some medals; Bob Moore, some French coins and New Caledonia currency; and Daniel Grossman, a large denomination American Bank Note Company item. The meeting closed with an auction.

Seventeen members and three guests were in attendance at the September meeting. President Tim Lee announced tentative dates for the 1993 club shows to be March 20 and October 23 at the Ramada Inn in south Garland It was announced that the offices of president and vice president will need to be filled for 1993. Junior members were reminded that they are eligible to fill these positions. Jim Jeska had impressive displays of Lincoln cents and Washington quarters at the meeting. Ron Blaha gave a program on Confederate paper money, and supplemented his talk with examples for attendees to examine. At the end of the program, listeners took a quiz on the subject, with three people scoring nine of ten correct. The meeting closed with an auction.

--Ron Blaha, club Secretary/Treasurer

DISTRICT VII

The July meetings of the Alamo Coin Club were highlighted by Wayne Gordon's lecture on "Dating Japanese Coins" and the swearing in of the new club officers by TNA District VII Governor Frank Galindo Wayne provided excellent information, using examples from his collection and Chinese character illustrations, and pointed out that the same rules can be applied to Chinese and Korean coins. A comprehensive article based on his progam also appears in the August club newsletter. Frank's handling of the swearing-in ceremony was very entertaining and imaginative; each officer added a section to a picture of the Alamo, representing the importance of each officer's duties to the club.

The August meetings featured an open trade session and updates on the upcoming club show. New members Mary Deyo and Ed Fanick were

welcomed to the club; Ed informed members that he found out about the club in the TNA News. A reminder: the club invites everyone to come to their show on October 17 & 18 at the Oak Hills Motor Inn.—club newsletter, The Alamo News

Twenty members were in attendance at the June 18 meeting of the Gateway Coin Club The club thanked Ed Witt for his donation of 200 stamped envelopes, to be used to mail the club newsletter. The program was presented by John Bullock, vice president of the Federal Reserve Bank Branch. Mr. Bullock spoke of the new security features in our \$50 and \$100 notes and gave general information about the Federal Reserve Bank Branch. All members received a packet of material entitled "Your Money Matters."

Twenty-nine members and three guests attended the July 2 meeting. Mac Kennady spoke about the TNA, the problems it experienced last year, and the loss of many members from San Antonio. A question and answer session followed. The meeting concluded with an auction conducted by Walter Clavette.

The July 25 meeting was the first to be held at Shoney's, the club's new meeting location. Twenty-three people enjoyed Doc Grover's educational program on the importance of reading books before buying coins. After the program, several members stayed and swapped tall tales, including Robert Lacewell's recollections of his experiences with Bag-Balm, the miracle drug used by many distinguished numismatists.

At the August 6 meeting, twenty-three members took part in a roundtable discussion. Cliff Valley showed some medals depicting Columbus' caravel,

Py Coryell brought a 1992 U.S. proof set, Ed Witt displayed a new plastic Australian \$5.00 note, and Bob Downs showed a 1956 San Antonio Coin Club roster. An auction, conducted by Walter Clavette, concluded the meeting

Twenty-three members and seven guests attended the August 20 meeting. The dates of the 1993 club show were confirmed by Ray Tate to be May 22-23. Attorney Patricia Ann Bath was the special guest speaker; her discussion of estate planning was very informative, and many members participated in a question and answer session afterward. She concluded the session by giving everyone pamphlets on business planning, personal estate planning and one entitled "Why Every Parent Needs a Will."

The Gateway Coin Club meets on the first and third Thursday of each month at Shoney's, 9950 West I-10 (at the Wurzbach Road exit). Meeting time is 7:00 PM, but many members arrive between 6:00 and 6:30 for dinner and conversation.—club newsletter, The Gatepost

DISTRICT IX

After a brief business meeting, eighty members enjoyed a hot dog supper at the August 3 meeting of the South Plains Coin Club at the Precinct 1 Clubhouse in Lubbock. There was no program, but an auction was held.

Attendance was down to twenty-two members and guests at the September 7 meeting, due to the Labor Day holiday. Club president Frank Hezmall expressed the club members' condolences to the family of Ed Chauncey, whose mother passed away on August 19. Lamonte Pitzer gave a program on souvenir cards. The meeting wrapped up with an auction by Jacobs and Ling.

--Lamonte Pitzer, District IX Governor

DISTRICT X

Thirty members and guests heard David Rojas' program at the August 20 meeting of the El Paso International Coin Club. David, a member of the El Paso police department, spoke about vehicle theft and home burglary, stressing the importance of burglar alarms. An announcement was made that club member George Hertzog passed away on August 22 at Sierra Medical Center. After the regular meeting, a special board meeting was conducted by president Kenneth Price to discuss possible ways of improving the club.

--Helen C. Boutwell, club Secretary

DISTRICT XI

The July newsletter of the Golden Spread Coin Club highlighted member John Bitting, who has been a collector of nickels for more than twenty years. The program at the July meeting was threefold R.L. "Tommy" Tompkins showed his Republic of Texas currency; R.J. Hansen talked of his trip to Europe, especially Scotland and Ireland; and Jim Hall displayed some three pence pieces form 1835-1929. It was announced that member David Cervin would be presenting an educational forum and displaying his exhibit on "Regnally Dated Coins of the Byzantine Empire" at the ANA convention in Orlando in August. David also exhibited and gave a talk on the "Quincentury of Columbus' Voyage, 1492-1992" at the main library in Amarillo on August 3 and 4.

The August 3 program was by Charles Simmons, on Buffalo nickels. A trivia quiz on U.S. paper money and club member spotlight on Ron Hoskins

highlighted the August newsletter. Members were reminded to bring coins with them to the September meeting for both show and tell and the auction —club newsletter

DISTRICT XIII

The Red River Coin Club met in Iowa Park on September 3, and reviewed bourse applications for their show, scheduled for November 21-22 in Wichita Falls. E.B. "Robbie" Robinson conducted an extemporaneous quiz, with a roundtable discussion of each question providing a wealth of information. Each member was invited to generate a question Free refreshemnts followed the meeting.

-- Raymond E. Whyborn, reporter

The July 16 meeting of the Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club had its business meeting devoted to discussion of how the club could best support the Red River Coin Club's upcoming show. It was decided to donate a significant sum of money to help defray advertising and other costs, to help ensure a successful show for the participating dealers. After the business meeting, Ted Brewer conducted a 22 lot auction and Woody Taylor served refreshments.—Raymond E. Whyborn, reporter

DISTRICT XVII

The September 10 meeting of the Waco Coin Club was held during the first rainstorm in two months, but sixteen members turned out nonetheless. Don Miller gave a report on the 1993 show, which will be held March 27-28. Club president Glenn Hardin asked members to distribute cards listing the date, time and location of monthly club meetings (second Thursday, 7:30 PM, TP&L Center, 3600 Franklin) to interested parties. J.P. Jones gave a brief program on the Isabella Quarter. A short but lively auction concluded the meeting.

--J.P. Jones, reporter

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